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LIST OF PERSONS INDICTED IN CONNECTION WITH CRIMINAL PLOTS AFFECTING THE NEUTRALITY OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 28, 1916.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WEBB, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

ADVERSE REPORT.

[To accompany H. Res. 91.]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the resolution (H. Res. 91) calling upon the Attorney General for the names of all persons arrested in connection with criminal plots affecting the neutrality of our Government, together with information as to the former allegiance of such persons as may be naturalized citizens, if any, begs leave to report the said resolution back to the House with the recommendation that it lie on the table.

When the resolution was referred to your committee, it was sent by the chairman to the Attorney General for information. The reply of the Attorney General, together with the inclosed list of names, furnishes all the information asked for, and available in his office, relative to criminal plots affecting the neutrality of our Government connected with the European war, which in the opinion of your committee was the inquiry intended to be made in this resolution, and hence it is unnecessary to pass this resolution. The reply of the Attorney General, together with the list of names inclosed therewith, is as follows:

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
Washington D. C., January 20, 1916.

Hon. EDWIN Y. WEBB,
Chairman Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 15, 1916, transmitting House resolution 91, by the terms of which the Attorney General is "hereby requested to furnish the House of Representatives with the names of all the persons arrested in connection with criminal plots affecting the neutrality of our Government, together with information as to the former allegiance of such persons as may be naturalized citizens, if any."

I beg leave to call your attention to the fact that, in terms, the resolution fixes no limit of time and includes violations of the original laws relating to neutrality occurring in connection with the Mexican revolutions, as well as with the European war.

Inasmuch as the Mexican cases are very numerous, and relate back for several years, I assume that information is desired only as to "criminal plots affecting the neutrality of our Government" connected with the European war.

I call also to your attention that a list of arrested persons would convey an incomplete and misleading impression, since such a list would not include persons who have been indicted but never arrested, having become fugitives from justice; it would also not include persons who have been indicted but not arrested, having surrendered to the court; while, on the other hand, such a list would include the names of persons arrested but not further proceeded against, and also the names of persons arrested and not indicted, but used or to be used as Government witnesses. It appears to me, therefore, incompatible with the interests of justice to furnish a list of all persons arrested.

I transmit, however, herewith a list of all persons who have been indicted in Federal courts "in connection with criminal plots affecting the neutrality of our Government," so far as relates to the European war (and exclusive of the Mexican situation).

With regard to so much of the resolution as requests the Attorney General to furnish "information as to the former allegiance of such persons as may be naturalized citizens, if any," I desire to say that this department has not in its possession data enabling me to furnish the information asked for.

Respectfully,

(Signed) T. W. GREGORY,
Attorney General.

List of persons indicted in the Federal courts in connection with criminal plots affecting the neutrality of the United States Government since August 1, 1914, and in connection with the European war:

Ralph K. Blair.
Thomas Addis.
Harry G. Lane Kennith Croft.
C. D. Lawrence.
A. V. Seferovich.
Jovo Matanovitch.
Savo Gjourashkovich.
P. M. Luburich.
B. Martinovitch.
Werner Horn.
Max Jaeger.
Edward Weber.
Paul Schmidt.
Richard Wohlberg.
Mrs. Annie Dekkers.
Rubber & Guayule Agency Co. (Inc.).
Paul Koenig.
R. E. Leyendecker.
E. J. Justice.
Benno Klocke.
Gustave Traube, alias Meyers.
T. A. Anderson.
Adolph Wimmel.
T. R. Johanson.
J. L. Bley.
C. D. Bunker.
Phillip R. Thayer.
R. H. Swayne.
John G. Hoyt.
George Phillips.
C. D. Bunker & Co.
Swayne & Hoyt.
Northern & Southern Steamship Co.
Max Zelinka.
Alfred Bondy.
Gustav Stahl.
Hamburg - Amerikanische - Packetfahrt - Actien-Gesellschaft.
Karl Buenz.
George Koetter.
Adolph Hachmeister.
Joseph Peeppinghaus.
Felix Seffner.
Franz Rintelen.
Frank Buchanan.
H. Robert Fowler.
Herman J. Schulties.
David Lamar.
Henry S. Martin.
F. S. Monett.
Jacob C. Taylor.
Andrew D. Meloy.
Richard P. Stegler.
Vincent Cook.
Richard Madden.
Karl Ruroede.
Arthur W. Sachse.
August R. Meyer.
Herman Wegener.
Walter Muller.
Hans Adam von Wedell.
Robert Fay.
Dr. Herbert O. Kienzle.
Walter L. Scholz.
Paul Daeche.
Max Breitung.
Engelbert Bronkhurst.
C. C. Crowley.
Baron George Wilhelm von Brincken.
Mrs. Margaret W. Cornell.
Abraham Cummings.
Harry Salomon.
Albert Salomon.
Franz Rosenberg.
Sigmund Karman.
Albert B. Newman.
Steamship *Odenwald*, libeled under provisions joint resolution of March 4, 1915